

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Kerry Zang et al.  
Serial No.: 10/777,514  
Filing Date: February 11, 2004  
Confirmation No.: 5263  
Group Art Unit: 3738  
Examiner: Miller, Cheryl L.  
Title: CONICAL, THREADED SUBTALAR IMPLANT

**Mail Stop Amendment**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

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Dear Sir:

**RESPONSE PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.111**

In response to the Office Action mailed December 1, 2006 (the "Office Action"), Applicants respectfully request the Examiner to reconsider the rejection of the claims in view of the following amendments and comments. Please amend the Application as follows.